SMOKING Students' Use of Tobacco)

The Board, because of the high degree of evidence available, views smoking and other uses of tobacco as being detrimental to health and as being significant contributors to lung and heart diseases. The Board also considers the area of health as being a primary objective of education, nationally, as well as locally. Consequently, it is the policy of this Board that students shall not to be permitted to posses, smoke, or use tobacco products in any form in School System's school buildings, in school buses, at school sponsored events, or on school grounds during the regular school day.

The regular school day is defined as the normal hours schools are open to students for instructional purposes. The regular school day begins for students at the time of arrival on the respective school premises (school-owned property, school bus, parking lot, etc.). The school day ends for students upon departing school premises (school-owed property, school buses, parking lots, etc.).